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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 8, 1996, at 12 noon.

Senate

FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1996

The Senate met at 8:30 a.m., and was called to order by the Honorable CRAIG THOMAS, a Senator from the State of Wyoming.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious Father, we live in a land of freedom and yet, on so many days we don't feel free. So often we are tied down by feelings of guilt; bound up by frustrating anxieties; uptight over problems; incarcerated by people's criticisms or negative opinions; and pressured by fears of the future. We all feel it at times. This longing to be free. Truly free. Free to be and express our real selves. Free to enjoy life, ourselves, and others. Free to give and receive love, forgiveness, acceptance. Free to pull out all the stops and live with boldness and courage. You have shown us that a new burst of personal freedom comes from knowing You, trusting You and committing to Your care the burdens we carry. Untie us when we get tied up in knots, unbind us when we are bound up in ourselves, unleash us to serve You by serving others. Free us from self-concern and help us give ourselves away to our loved ones, friends and those with whom we work. In Your holy name. Amen.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

The assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, June 28, 1996.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, section 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable CRAIG THOMAS, a Senator from the State of Wyoming, to perform the duties of the Chair.

STROM THURMOND,
President pro tempore.

Mr. THOMAS thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader.

SCHEDULE

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, this morning the Senate will immediately begin consideration of the Department of Defense authorization bill.

At 9:30 this morning, there will be a rollcall vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the DOD bill.

It is hoped that Senators will cooperate today in allowing us to reach an agreement on the defense bill. I would anticipate rollcall votes throughout the day on or in relation to amendments to the bill.

As a reminder, a third cloture motion was filed last night. The vote could occur as early as Saturday. That vote could occur as early as Saturday if it becomes necessary.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, leader time is reserved.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of the DOD bill, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1745) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

Pending:

Nunn amendment No. 4367, to require the President to submit a report to Congress on NATO enlargement.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Arizona.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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